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(Chapter II of the Patent Cooperation Treaty)

(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

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Box No. I Basis of the report

1. With regard to the **language**, this report is based on the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

This report is based on translations from the original language into the following language _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of:

 - international search (Rule 12.3 and 23.1(b))
 - publication of the international application (Rule 12.4)
 - international preliminary examination (Rule 55.2 and/or 55.3)
2. With regard to the **elements** of the international application, this report is based on (*replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report*):

the international application as originally filed/furnished

the description:

pages 1-15 as originally filed/furnished

pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____

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the claims:

nos. 1-30 as originally filed/furnished

nos.* _____ as amended (together with any statement) under Article 19

nos.* _____ received by this Authority on _____

nos.* _____ received by this Authority on _____

the drawings:

sheets 1/12-12/12 as originally filed/furnished

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the description, pages _____

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4. This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments annexed to this report and listed below had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)).

the description, pages _____

the claims, nos. _____

the drawings, sheets/figs _____

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1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	2-30	YES
	Claims	1	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	2-14, 16-30	YES
	Claims	1, 15	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-30	YES
	Claims		NO

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

1. The present report makes reference to the following documents:

D1: US 4 724 302 A (PENNEY CARL M ET AL)
9 February 1988 (1988-02-09)
D2: DE 100 48 749 A (SCHUCKER JOSEF)
11 April 2002 (2002-04-11)
D3: US 5 402 351 A (BATCHELDER JOHN S ET AL)
28 March 1995 (1995-03-28).

2. INDEPENDENT CLAIM 1

2.1 The present application fails to satisfy the requirements of PCT Article 33(1) because the subject matter of claim 1 lacks novelty (PCT Article 33(2)).

Document D1 discloses (the references in parentheses are to said document):

a method for the automatic application and monitoring of a structure to be applied to a substrate:

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- the establishment of a reference contour in a forward direction by a first camera (26) and the use of the images recorded by the first camera (26) being used for guiding a unit (10) for applying the structure to be applied (see column 3, line 67 to column 4, line 4 and figure 1);
- the structure to be applied being applied to the substrate by the application unit (10) in accordance with the reference contour established by the first camera; and
- the structure applied to the substrate by the application device being monitored by a second, following camera (28) (see figure 1 and column 4, lines 4-20).

3. INDEPENDENT CLAIM 15

3.1 The present application fails to satisfy the requirements of PCT Article 33(1) because the subject matter of claim 15 does not involve an inventive step (PCT Article 33(3)).

3.1.1 Document D1 is considered to be the prior art closest to the subject matter of claim 15. Said document discloses (the references in brackets are to document):

a device for the automatic application and monitoring of a structure to be applied to a

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substrate by means of a method as per claim 1, a sensor unit being provided; said device being characterised in that the sensor unit is composed of two cameras (26, 28), the cameras being arranged about a unit (10) for applying the structure to be applied and being disposed thereupon in such a way that one camera (26) is provided for the forward direction for controlling the application unit by means of a reference contour (12) and a second, following camera (28) is provided for the real-time online monitoring of the structure applied to the substrate.

3.1.2 The subject matter of claim 15 therefore differs from that known from D1 by virtue of:
the provision of a lighting module.

3.1.3 The problem addressed by the present invention can consequently be regarded as that of:
ensuring that the camera has a clear and complete field of vision.

3.1.4 The solution to the above problem, as proposed in claim 1 of the present application, cannot be considered inventive (PCT Article 33(3)) for the following reasons:
D2 discloses a lighting module of this type (see column 4, line 42).

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3.1.5 A person skilled in the art would therefore, without inventive input, combine all the features disclosed in D1 and D2 in order to solve the problem of interest. In consequence, the solution to the above problem, as proposed in claim 15 of the present application, cannot be considered inventive (PCT Article 33(3)).